Minutes of

MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting

Held March 17, 2015

Chairman Spanovich called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. with Mr. Angelou, Mrs. Stewart and the Fiscal Officer, Nancy White present.

Also Present were: Tim Taylor Fire Chief

William Price Police Chief
D.J. Tharp Service Director
Becky Kadel HR Director

Melissa Rapp Public Information Officer

Gahanna Lincoln High School Students

CONSENT AGENDA

Res. 73-15: Approve Minutes of March 2, 2015

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Minutes of March 2, 2015. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 74-15: Approve Warrants for April 2015

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Warrants for April 2015. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Angelou welcomed the students from Gahanna Lincoln High School to the meeting and gave them a brief history of Township Government. Mr. Spanovich offered his condolences to Fire Fighter Pete Rimoldi who lost his son Matt Rimoldi.

CORRESPONDENCE

Fiscal Officer presented the following correspondence to the Board.

- 1. A letter was received from Marilyn Brown, President of Franklin County Board of Commissioners presenting the 2014 Columbus Urban Area Homeland Security Advisory Committee Biennial Report.
- 2. Letters were received from Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department for the properties at 3005 Perdue Avenue and 3039 Perdue Avenue for various violations.
- 3. A letter was received from Franklin County Public Health for 1st Observation Report Public Health Nuisance Program for the property at 2670 Berrell Avenue for various violations.
- 4. Letters were received from Franklin County Public Health for 2nd Observation Report Public Health Nuisance Program for the property at 2352 Lindale Road and 2183 Agler Road for various violations.

FISCAL OFFICER

Fiscal Officer reported that she contacted Hope Kingsborough, COCIC, and she confirmed that 2170 Mifflin is comprised of two parcels and 2178 Mifflin is the third parcel.

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Res. 75-15: Approve Fiscal Officer to Send a Letter to Franklin County Land Bank Stating Our Interest in Ownership of Three Properties Located in Mifflin Township – Leonard Park

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve fiscal officer to send a letter to Franklin County Land Bank stating our interest in ownership of three properties located in Mifflin Township – Leonard Park. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer presented the upcoming increase in the member contribution rate for Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund beginning July 2, 2015. She reminded the Trustees that a resolution will need to be passed and sent to OP&F stating that the Township will continue picking up the 10% and the employees will be picking up the 2.25%.

<u>HR</u>

Becky Kadel presented to the Trustees the project plan for the employment law attorney search. Currently she and the Fiscal Officer are in the process of meeting with the attorneys. Becky Kadel said that once the meetings are complete she will arrange a time for the top two candidates to meet the Trustees.

PIO

Melissa Rapp reported to the Trustees that she has been exploring the possibility of duplicating the community signage in Gahanna and replicate this in the unincorporated area. This would provide information to the residents who do not have access to the web or other digital means of communication. She will provide the cost and specs for signage at a later time. She informed the Trustees that she has registered for a three day basic public information training in April which is offered by the Ohio EMA. Mrs. Rapp said that she conducted an interview with the Eastside Messenger last week regarding the Council of Governments option that is being researched at this time.

IT

No report

SERVICE

No report

POLICE

Chief Price requested approval to hire Kevin Chavez as a non-paid reserve officer. He has passed his background check, polygraph and drug screen.

Res. 76-15: Approve to Hire Kevin Chavez as a Non-Paid Reserve Officer

Mr. Angelou moved to approve to hire Kevin Chavez as a non-paid reserve officer. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Chief Price requested approval to accept the resignation of Reserve Officer Joel Collier effective March 12, 2015.

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Res. 77-15: Approve to Accept The Resignation of Reserve Officer Joel Collier Effective March 12, 2105

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the resignation of reserve officer Joel Collier effective March 12, 2015. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

FIRE

Chief Taylor requested approval to remove Shawn Davidson from probation effective March 29, 2015.

Res. 78-15: Approve Removing Shawn Davidson From Probation Effective March 29, 2015

Mrs. Stewart approved removing Shawn Davidson from probation effective March 29, 2015. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to remove Chad Mast from probation effective March 29, 2015.

Res. 79-15: Approve Removing Chad Mast From Probation Effective March 29, 2015

Mrs. Stewart approved removing Chad Mast from probation effective March 29, 2015. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval for Lt. John Eing and Fire Fighter Brandt Reynolds to attend "Street Smart Truck Essentials" at BGSU from 5/11/2015 thru 5/12/2015 for up to \$450.00. Mr. Spanovich signed off on the request.

Chief Taylor requested approval for Fire Fighter Barnes to attend Hands on Training at FDIC in Indianapolis, IN from 4/20/2015 to 4/23/2015 for up to \$1,275.00. Mr. Spanovich signed off on the request.

Chief Taylor requested approval to renew the annual mobile and portable maintenance agreement for \$5,805.00

Res. 80-15: Approve Renewing B & C Communications Annual Mobile and Portable Maintenance Agreement for \$5,805.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve renewing B & C Communications Annual Mobile Portable maintenance agreement for \$5,805.00. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to purchase EMS supplies from Boundtree for \$11,567.98

Res. 81-15: Approve to Purchase EMS Supplies From Boundtree for \$11,567.98

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Mrs. Stewart moved to approve purchase of EMS supplies from Boundtree for \$11,567.98. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to renew annual maintenance agreement with Physio-Control for \$6,002.77.

Res. 82-15: Approve Renewing Annual Maintenance Agreement with Physio-Control for \$6,002.77

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve renewing the annual maintenance agreement with Physio-Control for \$6,002.77. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to purchase uniforms for the fire department from Phoenix Safety Outfitters for \$49,900.00

Res. 83-15: Approve Purchase of Uniforms from Phoenix Safety Outfitters for \$49,900.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve purchase of uniforms from Phoenix Safety Outfitters for \$49,900.00. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to declare listed items surplus for disposition.

Res. 84-15: Approve Declaring Listed Items Surplus for Disposition

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve declaring listed items surplus for disposition. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to donate miscellaneous items and equipment to the Central Ohio Fire Museum.

Res. 85-15: Approve to Donate Miscellaneous Items and Equipment to the Central Ohio Fire Museum

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve donating miscellaneous items and equipment to the Central Ohio Fire Museum. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested approval to donate miscellaneous life-pack batteries and battery chargers to Tri-County Joint Ambulance.

Res. 86-15: Approve to Donate Miscellaneous Life-Pack Batteries and Battery Chargers to Tri-County Joint Ambulance

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Mrs. Stewart moved to approve donating miscellaneous life-pack batteries and battery chargers to Tri-County Joint Ambulance. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

Chief Taylor requested to consider extending partner benefits to same-sex domestic partners of Mifflin employees. He said it is permitted by the Ohio Administrative Code. He presented the Trustees with a letter from an employee who is requesting benefits for same-sex domestic partners along with a certificate of partnership. The Trustees will place this on hold until a later date.

Chief Taylor presented to the Trustees MECC EMS Chief's Report and MEC Minutes.

Chief Taylor reported that he and Deputy Chief Kauser attended the Gahanna Safety Committee meeting on March 9, 2015 and spoke for a few minutes and answered questions.

Mrs. Stewart said that due to the impending retirement of Chief Taylor, she would like to make a motion that upon his last day on March 27, 2015 that the Trustees appoint Deputy Chief Kauser as Acting Chief until there is a decision made appointing a permanent Chief.

Res. 87-15: Approve Deputy Chief Kauser as Acting Chief Effective March 28, 2015

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Deputy Chief Kauser as Acting Chief effective March 28, 2015. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Mrs. Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Joseph F. Spanovich, Chairman	Richard J. Angelou, Vice Chairman	
Lynn M. Stewart, Trustee	Nancy M. White, Fiscal Officer	

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